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Dear D.O.J.:

Concerning the Microsoft Settlement I firmly believe Microsoft should be lauded with praise for a company that has brought vast innovation to the marketplace and consumers. Through Microsoft's efforts we now have more affordable options in computing that we did not have before Microsoft. These efforts have made the consumer and businesses more productive and increased our standard of living.

Microsoft has excelled at what they do and should not be punished for it by government antitrust laws. The good should not be punished for being good. Microsoft plays tough and that is that and there is nothing inherently wrong with that fact regardless of what envious competitors want.

Sincerely,  
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